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The last natural history survey in New Jersey was conducted more than 60 years ago. Since then, enormous environmental changes have taken place, resulting in declines of many species of vertebrates. The present report lists animals which are considered rare or endangered, or whose status is unknown. It is sobering to find that there are 37 rare species (including 14 birds), 18 endangered species (6 birds), and 22 species (6 birds) of undetermined status. The modest format of this report belies its importance as a conservation document. The report calls attention to the urgent need for surveys of the current status of wildlife resources in New Jersey, and for measures to protect vanishing animals.—P.S.